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 PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)

BIESER, *et al.*)

Application No. 09/032,893)

Filing Date: February 27, 1998)

For: HOMOGENEOUSLY BRANCHED)
 ETHYLENE POLYMER CARPET,)
 CARPET BACKING AND METHOD)
 FOR MAKING SAME)

Art Unit: 1771

Examiner: Cheryl A. Juska

Confirmation No. 1428

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, submitted herewith is information known to Applicants and/or their attorneys.

In accordance with the provisions of M.P.E.P. § 2001.06(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(b)(3), Applicants would like to bring to the attention of the Examiner the existence of the co-pending patent application(s) identified below, which were filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office:

<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Date Filed</u>	<u>Inventors</u>	<u>Attorney Docket No.</u>
11/594,493	November 7, 2006	Brumbelow <i>et al.</i>	03269.0014U5

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This application is stored in the Image File Wrapper (IFW) system of the USPTO. Accordingly, copies of the cited specification, including the claims and drawings thereof, are not enclosed in accordance with the waiver to 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(iii) dated September 21, 2004.

The above cross cite to co-pending application serial number 11/594,493 is believed to be filed in a timely manner pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), in that neither a final Office Action nor a Notice of Allowance has been mailed to Applicants. Accordingly, Applicants make the statement required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)(1).

The undersigned hereby certifies that the existence of co-pending application serial number 11/594,493 was not cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the undersigned after making reasonable inquiry, the existence of co-pending application serial number 11/594,493 was not known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.

Also enclosed for the Examiner's consideration is an Office Action rejecting the claims of co-pending U.S. patent application number 10/719,389. This Office Action was mailed on September 22, 2006. Accordingly, the submission of the September 22, 2006 Office Action from co-pending application serial number 10/719,389 is believed to be filed in a timely manner pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), in that neither a final Office Action nor a Notice of Allowance

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has been mailed to Applicants. Accordingly, Applicants make the statement required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)(1).

The undersigned hereby certifies that the September 22, 2006 Office Action from co-pending U.S. patent application number 10/719,389 was not cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the undersigned after making reasonable inquiry, the September 22, 2006 Office Action from co-pending U.S. patent application number 10/719,389 was not known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Still further, submitted herewith on the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement List is a listing of documents known to Applicants and/or their attorneys. Copies of any cited foreign patent document and/or any non-patent publication are enclosed. Documents G1-G2 are believed to be filed in a timely manner pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), in that neither a final Office Action nor a Notice of Allowance has been mailed to Applicants. Accordingly, Applicants make the statement required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)(1).

The undersigned hereby certifies that references G1-G2 in the Information Disclosure Statement were first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

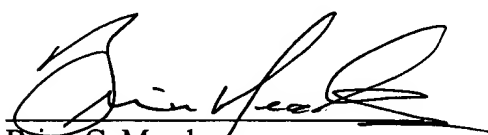
Consideration of the cited documents and making the same of record in the prosecution of the above-referenced application are respectfully requested.

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No fee is believed due; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-0629.

Respectfully submitted,

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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